



# ASCOT NEWS

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## Term 3 & 4 Key Dates (Please keep for future reference)

15 Sept	<b>AVPS MVIMP Concert</b>
16 Sept	Unit 1 & 2 Assembly
18 Sept	<b>Last Day Term 3- early dismissal at 2.30 pm</b>
7 Oct	Unit 3 Assembly Zone Athletic Heats
Sunday 11 Oct	Working Bee 10am-12pm
13 Oct	<b>Prep Parent 2010 Information Evening, 7 p.m.</b>
14 Oct	Unit 4 Assembly <b>Zone Athletics carnival</b>
16 Oct	Summer Sport begins
19 Oct	School Council and Subcommittee meetings
21 Oct	Unit 5 Assembly
28 Oct	Whole school Assembly
30 Oct	Parent Rep meeting/ Special Lunch Day
3 Nov	<b>Melbourne Cup Holiday</b>
4 Nov	Unit 1 & 2 Assembly
11 Nov	Unit 3 Assembly
16 Nov – 27 Nov ( <u>Not</u> on Wednesdays)	Prep/I Swimming begins
18 Nov	<b>MVIMP Combined Schools Concert</b>
25 Nov	Whole School Assembly
26 Nov	<b>Prep 2010 Transition Program 2-3.30 pm (Part 1)</b>
27 Nov	Summer Sport ends Parent Rep Meeting/ Special Lunch Day
2 Dec	Whole School Assembly
3 Dec	<b>Prep 2010 Transition Program 2-3.30 pm (Part 2)</b>
14 Dec	School Council (end of year dinner)
15 Dec	Student reports sent home
16 Dec	<b>Year 6 Graduation</b>
18 Dec	Santa Assembly Last Day of Term- Early dismissal 1.30 p.m.

School Assembly Wednesday mornings 9 – 9:30am

Yard supervised between 8:45 - 9:00am before school and 3:30 – 3:45pm after school

# IT'S NOT OK TO BE AWAY

## From The Principal

If you have stepped into the main corridor you will have seen all the books lining this walkway! The move is fully underway now and will cause some disruption and changes to usual programs and the spaces we have available. Everyone has been very accommodating about the move so far and I thank the staff and families for this understanding and the extra help that has been provided to Lucy and Tina as they steadily worked their way through this massive task. Susie has done a wonderful job of finding homes for our unwanted furniture and fittings. Thank you Susie! It is good to know that items from here will be useful in surrounding kinders, homes and workplaces and not adding to landfill. Our removalists come next Thursday, when most students will be at the Show, so please finish liaising with Susie around any items you might want well before then. Amidst all the complaints this week in the media about the P21 Commonwealth funding for schools, it is pleasing for our community to know we are receiving funds to build our own design and not a government template that might not have suited our needs so well. Funds coming to AVPS will be well spent to enhance our facilities and our ability to share our buildings and programs more broadly within our own community. The funding here was timely, needed to update our facilities and has opened up many exciting possibilities to improve the teaching and learning opportunities for the children.

Recently there have been some disputes between children in the yard after the 3.30pm bell. Michael or myself are always on yard duty until 3.45 p.m. and it would assist us if parents would make sure they are close by their child(ren) if they are staying in the yard to allow more play time. Please move within clear view and hearing to supervise your child. Children without adults supervising them directly need to move home as soon as they are dismissed. Please discuss this at home so children are clear about your expectations and ours and yard supervision at this busy time is improved and safe.

# It's not great to be late!

Reports of fun and new friendships surrounded last week's 'Girls Night Out!' Many thanks to Christine and Martine and their team for co-ordinating this evening get-together for the ladies.

Hopefully I'll see many of you this evening at our MVIMP concert in the Library and be able to personally wish you a wonderful and relaxing time over the vacation period. If not, enjoy the next fortnight and I'll see you back at school for the beginning of Term 4 on Monday 5 October.

Joanne Roberts  
Principal  
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## From the Assistant Principal

### AVPS on Twitter



Stay tuned. Early next term AVPS will be on Twitter. We plan to keep you informed by using this real-time, short messaging service that works over multiple networks and devices, such as the internet and mobile phones. All you need is an account to start using it. <http://twitter.com/> More details about how to follow us and what to expect from following us will be in the newsletter early next term.

**Birthdays this week** - Happy Birthday to:  
Molly B – Unit 5 – who turns 10 on the 16<sup>th</sup> Sept  
Leo R – Unit 4 – who turns 8 on the 19<sup>th</sup> Sept

Enjoy the holidays if you're lucky enough to have them.

Michael Downing - Assistant Principal  
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## Writing @ Ascot Vale PS

A Writing Competition.

Over the past few weeks, students @ AVPS have been busily writing their own stories for the 'Book of the Year' (local version) competition.

We had many fabulous stories, the winners are to be announced this week and will be published next term. Here is a sample of 2 stories from Dillon Barrett and Callum Hordern from U1.

A.V.P.S. B.O.T.Y. was Poppy's idea and it created many and varied stories from all Units.

Stories have been collated in the Units, interested parties can access their child's story through class teachers.

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## Mathematics Games Day

Look closely into this photo and you will see past 2008 AVPS students proudly gathered to celebrate their recent win in the Year 7 statewide Mathematics Games Day for secondary colleges held at Overnewton College.

Zoe Tong was part of the girls team that was placed 7<sup>th</sup> in the competition. The boys team with Gianluca Rizza and Hugo Rogers were placed 1<sup>st</sup>. A fantastic achievement given over 50 schools were competing for this honour. Your past teachers and buddies all congratulate you!



## School Furniture To Go

To claim items or to discuss collection please contact Susie Lauer on 9372 6702 or [chupenbub@inet.net.au](mailto:chupenbub@inet.net.au) or before/after school. A very small donation to the school would be welcomed.

## In Your Shoes

In Your Shoes is an unwanted footwear collection which aims to divert reusable shoes from landfill. Collected shoes are then redistributed to local charities and international communities so disadvantaged communities might benefit.

Wearable footwear is brought to our school. (Be sure to pair them up together by their laces or with rubber bands.) Drop off your donated shoes in the specially marked recycle bin in the hallway near the main office. All donations welcomed till mid October.

For information go to: [www.kidsoffthekerb.com](http://www.kidsoffthekerb.com)

## Let others take a turn to 'Walk In Your Shoes!'

## AVPS MVIMP Concert

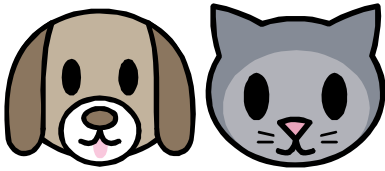


Tonight, Tuesday September 15<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the Library, is the Annual AVPS MVIMP Concert. This is a chance for all our fabulous musicians to gather together and display their developing skills in playing woodwind, brass, string, or percussion instruments, either individually or in a group. It would be great to see not only the performers' family and friends there to support them, but other members of our school community who would like to see what MVIMP offers, and to be impressed by the achievements of our young instrumentalists. Our very talented Tutors will also be there to display their talents and answer any questions you may have! We look forward to seeing you then!

## Education Maintenance Allowance

EMA cheques have arrived at the school and are available for collection at the School Office. **If the cheques have not been collected, they will be posted to the address listed on the school data base on the last day of term 3.**

For parents who have chosen to receive this payment via Electronic Funds Transfer, please check your bank account details to ensure you have received your payment. If you have NOT received your payment, please call Centrelink.



R.S.P.C.A

Thank you to everyone for supporting the Cupcake Days for the RSPCA!

The school community raised over \$420. A wonderful effort! The money will be forwarded to the RSPCA with a letter from the school.

Regards

Ros and Jacinta

## Girls Night Out - September 10, 2009

What a great night of fun and fund raising! Thank you to our terrific sponsors for a fantastic evening enjoyed by parents, friends, and teachers. Please remember these generous businesses when planning your next night out:

### \*LAVISH COLLECTIONS

Mount Alexander Road, Ascot Vale

### \*PRINCE OF WALES HOTEL

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Ellen Barber, Ascot Vale

### \*ACES NAILS

Hall Street, Moonee Ponds

### \*THE PIZZA BAR

Maribyrnong Road, Moonee Ponds

### \*COLOUR ESSENCE

Mary-Ann De-Carlo, Ascot Vale

## Newsletter Deadlines for Term 4

Please note a change in newsletter deadlines for Term 4. The Newsletter will be printed and distributed each Wednesday and the deadline for articles will be changed to Tuesdays at 10.00am.

## After school Tennis Program

Tennis will commence in the second week of Term 4 on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October at 3.45pm to 4.30pm for an eight week program. Please call Martine Baillon on 0416 038 432 for more details.

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## STREET SMART STREET SAVVY

The StreetSmartStreetSavvy Preteens Course is available for Year 5 or 6 students during this upcoming holiday period. 5 x two hour sessions are being run by the Youth Resource Officer from Moonee Valley at the Kensington Community Recreation Centre. First session is Monday 28<sup>th</sup> September 10.30 -12 noon. The program will give participants strategies they need to stay safe when out on the street. Knowledge itself is a power-torch-it can both light your way and protect you.

Contact Senior Constable Abbey Horsburgh for more information on 9370 0655 or email Rachel at: [ra68@bigpond.com](mailto:ra68@bigpond.com) for enrolment forms.

## Uniform Shop

The next date for the Uniform Shop is **Thursday 8th October** between 3.00pm and 4.00pm. To order online, use the PSW website, [www.psw.com.au](http://www.psw.com.au) and follow the prompts. The PSW shop in Deer Park is located at 58 Westwood Drive, Deer Park. Telephone: 9363 8458. Opening Hours are Monday-Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm, Saturday 9.00am – 5.00pm.

*Spring into Action*



**Create, Connect, Learn, Enjoy!**

Ring Lee: 0437194238

**Discover Dance:** 2-6 years

**Creative Ballet:** 5-12 years

**Dance & Create:** 12-18 years

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Learn dance technique  
Enjoy a fun and supportive environment

Canterbury Street Stables, Flemington  
[lee frances@bigpond.com](mailto:lee frances@bigpond.com)

### **Fresh Fruit Wednesday**

Fresh Fruit is on Wednesday (tomorrow) for this week only. Parents may wish to pack lunch bags accordingly.

## **OSHC NEWS THIS WEEK** **'we make kids smile'**



Monday – AACP Tennis  
Tuesday – Chinese Walls  
Wednesday – Footy  
Thursday – Colouring  
Friday – Kids Choice

Skateboarding starts on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> October. Limited places, regulars will get first preference.

Hello everybody, well it's the last week of the term, and we have lots of fun activities planned in OSHC this week. It's our last week of Tennis, with our sports coach Kerry and we have lots of good things planned for our last day, including a movie and cup cakes! Yummy – see you all there.

Cancellations or bookings can be made through the school office, the program (9326 0936) or through Camp Australia Head Office on 8851 4160. All enquiries in regard to invoicing, payment or CCB (Child Care Benefit) should be made to the OSHC administration team on 8851 4160.

**For Holiday Club program and information go to [www.campaustralia.com.au](http://www.campaustralia.com.au)**

### **Toothbrush Orders**

Toothbrushes are coming early in Term 4. Thank you for your orders.